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"YOU ARRIVED JUST IN TIME TO SEE A MIRACLE."

YOU ARE HERE TO WITNESS THE NEW DAWN- THE EVOLUTION OF OUR SPECIES.

YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE EVOLUTION OF YOUR SPECIES.

CAREFUL. I HAVE A TASTE FOR BITCHES.

BONE KING, WE REMOVED THEIR BRANDINGS AND THEIR BRAIDS...

...THEY ARE SLAVES NO MORE.

THUMP

WE FOUND THIS ABOMINATION HUNTING IN OUR WHEAT FIELDS.

THAT'S TORRIDIAN TECH–AND A CORRUPTION OF OUR ANCIENT WORLD.

YOUR KIND HAS LURED THAT WRETCHED SPECIES BACK HERE TO DESTROY EVERYTHING WE'VE BUILT.

YOU LIVE IN A CAVE!

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!

SHOW RESPECT. HE WAS A TIME GUARD ONCE. JUST LIKE YOU.

I SERVED THE ALLIANCE IN YEAR 2260... LONG BEFORE YOU.

I CHOSE TO STAY HERE IN THIS TIMEFIELD... AND MANY OTHERS CHOSE TO FOLLOW ME.

MY NAME WAS VITOR 2991.

WE FACED THE RAW POWER OF NATURE IN THIS SACRED WORLD.

WE BECAME A TRIBE OF WARRIORS- *THE BONE TRIBE.*

AND I BECAME THEIR *KING.*

COME WITH ME.

WAIT- SERAH!

DON'T WORRY. SHE'LL BE FINE. I ASSURE YOU.

SHE'S IN GOOD HANDS. LET'S BEGIN THE DEMONSTRATION.

CLAP

WATCH.

TORRIDIAN TECHNOLOGY IS BUILT TO CONTROL.

DROP HER.

CALLING TO THE BEAST INSIDE YOUR MIND...

THIS IS A NEURAL CHIP- SIMILAR TO THE ONE WE FOUND IN THE RAPTOR.

AND, AS YOU CAN SEE...

...IT WORKS.

SHE LOOKS LOVELY, DOES SHE NOT?

WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM US?

I WANT YOU TO SEE YOUR BELOVED SERAH'S TRUE INTENTIONS.

THIS WILL BRING HER INNERMOST DESIRES TO THE SURFACE. WE SIMPLY DIRECT IT.

I AM READY.

I CAN FEEL HER NOW.

COME, SERAH.

THAT'S IT. COME TO ME.

THIS IS FOR YOU.

OH, YES.

UNH!

LOOK AT ME.

DO WHATEVER YOU WANT TO ME, SERAH.

I AM YOURS.

OH... MY...

SHE'S GOING TO MAKE ME CUM, MY KING.

GOD, YES.

MMM...

MAY I CUM? MAY I CUM, MY KING?!

YOU MAY!

WHAAA!

AGGHHH!

SHE'S FULFILLED.

YOU MAY REST NOW, SERAH.

THESE NEURAL LINKS OPERATE LIKE A HIVE MIND.

SERAH'S SENSES WERE AS AS REAL AS MY OWN. HER DESIRE- HER *WILL*- IS STRONG.

AND SPEAKING OF WILL... THE *RITUAL OF WILL* BEGINS SOON.

VANYA 9179... YOUR INITIATION BEGINS *NOW*.

CAMPSITE. TWO CLICKS WEST OF THE BONE LAIR.

THE MEAT IS DRY TONIGHT.

FINISH IT IF YOU MUST, OUR CURFEW IS ALMOST OVER.

THEN WE CAN FEAST FROM THE RESERVES.

YOU HEAR THAT?

THAT'S NOT A-

SLASH

AH!

RAWR!

AAAGH!

SHIT! WHAT WAS THAT?!

SOUNDED LIKE IT CAME FROM THE SOUTH CAVE ENTRANCE.

GUARDS, RAISE YOUR WEAPONS.

GRRRR!

OH, GOD...

RAWR!

NO!
SLASH
GRRR...
CRUNCH

WE STILL HAVE ELEVEN FULLY FUNCTIONING OUTPOSTS WITH CONSIDERABLE FORCES DUE TO ARRIVE IN THE NEXT WEEK.

ANY WORD ON THE SEARCH PARTY WE SENT OUT DAYS AGO?

NO... WE LOST CONTACT.

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO SEND ANYONE ELSE OUT RIGHT NOW. THEIR FATE IS UP TO THEM, LUCAS.

I KNOW YOU HAVE A PERSONAL CONNECTION TO ONE OF THEM, BUT-

IT'S OKAY, GENERAL. I-I UNDERSTAND THE RISK RIGHT NOW.

HROOOOOOOOOM

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE ONE OF OUR SHIPS-

THAT'S BECAUSE IT ISN'T ONE.

BOOOOM

URK!

OOF!

YOU– YOU OKAY, GENERAL?

NO, LUCAS, I'M NOT FUCKING OKAY.

THEY'RE HERE.

I'VE COME TO ACCEPT YOUR SURRENDER.

THE TORRIDIANS ARE HERE TO CLAIM THIS WORLD.

OPPOSE US AND PERISH.

"WE CARRY OUR PEOPLE PAST AND PRESENT IN OUR HEARTS AND BODIES."

"WE CELEBRATE AND RENEW OUR CONNECTIONS TO THE PRIMAL SPIRIT AND EACH OTHER."

BLESSED BE THE FRUIT.

I, NIYA, CHAMPION OF THE BONE TRIBE, TAKE MY PLACE OF HONOR.

YOU BOTH WILL WITNESS SOMETHING THAT WILL TAKE YOUR BREATHE AWAY.

A POWER THAT DEFIES LOGIC...AND SCIENCE.

ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ME THAT YOU FOUND *GOD*?

WHY DO YOU THINK WE WERE CALLED TIME GUARDS?

WE WERE GUARDING SECRETS.

WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

YOU KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.

NOW, WATCH THE RITUAL.

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED.

I OFFER MY BODY AND MY DESIRE TO YOU, NIYA.

I ACCEPT.

FILL ME UP.

AS YOU WISH, CHAMPION.

DEEPER. GO DEEPER.

YES, FILL ME UP. ALL OF ME.

OH GOD!

GLOP

GLOP

MMMM...

UNNNHHH.

MAY I, KING?

MAKE HIM CUM.

I'M SO CLOSE, CHAMPION.

HERE IT COMES...

UNNNGHHH!

AH... YES.

OH, THAT'S MORE THAN I'VE EVER SEEN BEFORE. GOOD BOY.

=GASP=

I...I CAN SEE THEM.

ISN'T IT BEAUTIFUL?!

WHOOSH

...

NOW, DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

I UNDERSTAND.

WHAT THE FUCK IS GOING ON?

YOU JUST SAW THE BIRTH OF A *TORRIDIAN DRAGON*– SUMMONED BY *HUMAN PHEROMONES.*

A WEAPON UNDER OUR CONTROL.

RAWR!

AGGGHH!

ACK!

GET TO THE ARMORY.

WAIT... WHAT?

BEHIND YOU. GO.

SPLOOSH

VANYA, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

YES, BUT NOT FOR LONG. WE NEED TO FIND A WAY OUT.

I THINK NIYA MIGHT BE ABLE TO SHOW US THE WAY.

WE CAN'T TRUST HER.

UNGH... WHAT HAPPENED? I FEEL LIKE I WAS IN TRANCE.

I'LL EXPLAIN LATER. STAY QUIET.

GRRRRR!

CRUNCH

SHANK

GRAWR!

SLASH

THANK YOU.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE'RE GOING?

NO, BUT WE'RE RUNNING AWAY FROM THE SCREAMING AT LEAST.

GRRRR!

SHIT...

GRRRRR!

THIS IS IT.

REALLY?

GRRRRR!

GET READY TO RUN.

NOW!

SERAH... RUN!

NOT WITHOUT YOU!

I -UNGH- CAN'T HOLD IT ANY LONGER!

SLASH

RAWR!

THUD

GRAWR!

BOOM

CLEAN SHOT.

ALWAYS.

YOU STUPID GIRL.

I KNOW. I JUST... KNOW WHAT I DID.

AND I COULDN'T LEAVE YOU.

THERE'S ONE MORE TIGER, BUT IT'S PREOCCUPIED.

GO TO THE ARMORY AND STOCK UP. *NOW.*

THEN WE'RE GETTING THE FUCK OUT OF HERE.

WE HAVE TO RECOVER THE EGGS.

THEY'RE THE KEY TO WINNING THE WAR WITH THE TORRIDIANS.

GENERAL TORA-

-A MEMBER OF THE ASTRAL GUARD WANTS TO SPEAK WITH YOU.

GENERAL.

WHAT CAN I DO FOR THE MIGHTY *ELAH* OF THE *ASTRAL GUARD*?

I'M ASSUMING YOU'VE ARRIVAL TO THE **JM3 TIMEFIELD** THROUGH OUR OWN DROP GATES WOULD SUGGEST YOU'RE THERE FOR WAR.

YOU PEOPLE ABANDONED YOUR HOMES... YOUR WORLD... TO HIDE HERE... TO DIE IN SHAME.

I DO NOT CALL THAT ***WAR.***

*YOU'RE RIGHT. IT'S AN **UNLAWFUL INVASION.** A DIRECT VIOLATION OF **THE ARELLI ACCORDS** WHICH PROHIBITS TORRIDIANS FROM TIME TRAVELING IN HUMAN SPACE FIELDS.*

*WHAT DO YOU WANT, GENERAL?*

I BELIEVE THE TORRIDIAN DYNASTY HAS MADE ITS INTENTIONS VERY CLEAR.

YOU HAVE **ONE DAY** TO RELEASE THE CAPTIVES AND VACATE THE TIMEFIELD OR THE **ASTRAL GUARD** WILL COME AT YOU WITH ITS **ENTIRE FORCE.** YOU WON'T WIN, GENERAL. YOU CAN'T.

YOUR THREATS **BORE** ME, ELAH.

WE'VE ALREADY WON.

-MIKE TENER WAS HERE

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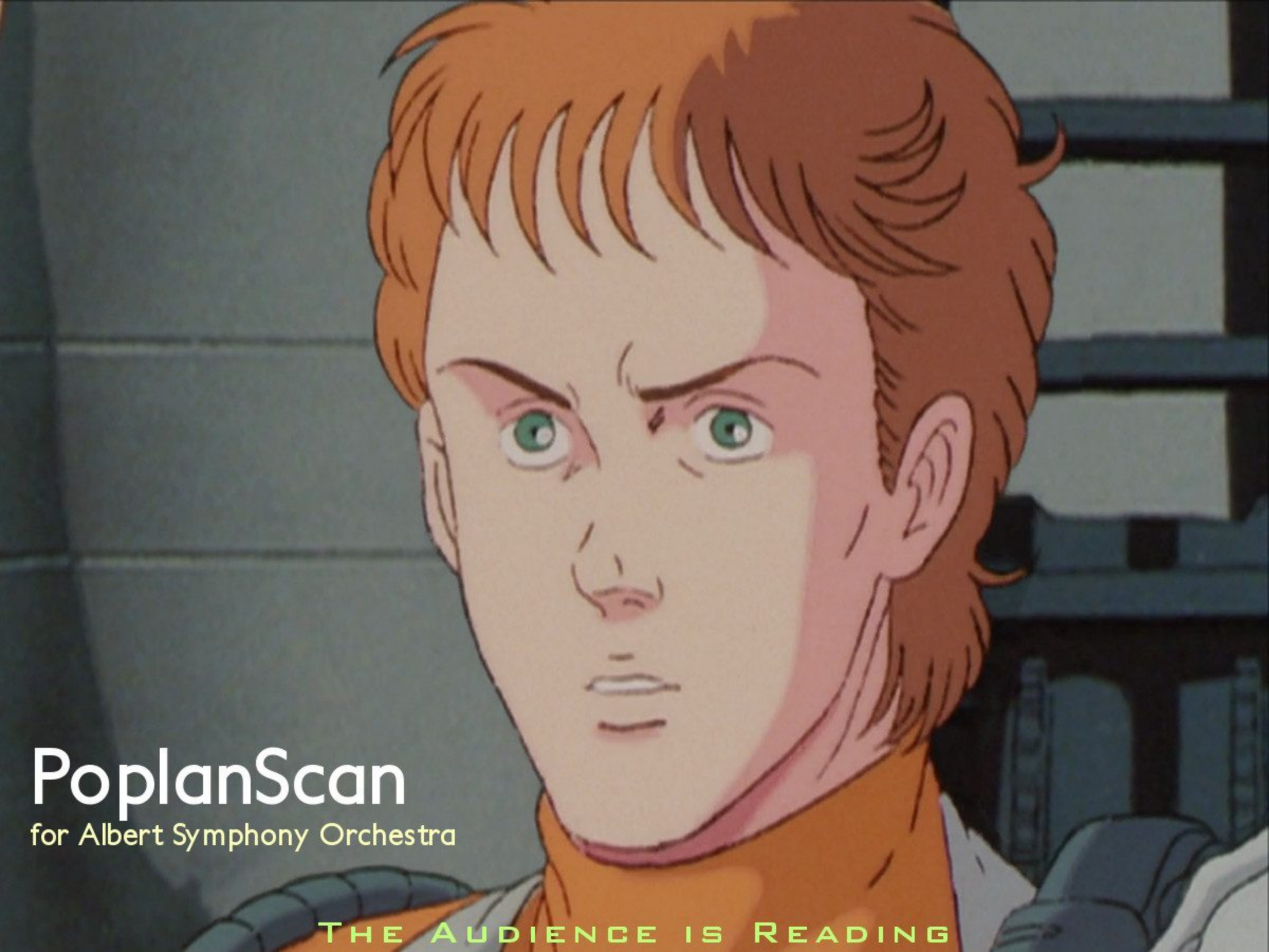
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